

**Table EI - Plasmids, strains, primers used in the study.**

Plasmid	Description	Reference
pRMC2	Plasmid with $P_{xyl/tetO}$ promoter inducible by anhydrotetracycline. 100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ Amp <sup>R</sup> in <i>Escherichia coli</i> , 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ Cam <sup>R</sup> .	[1]
pRMC2+MsrA	pRMC2 plasmid, bearing sequence coding for Msr(A) from <i>Staphylococcus haemolyticus</i> JCSC1435 chromosome (NC_007168.1) with additional C-terminal Gly-(His) <sub>6</sub> tag and inserted into KpnI, SacI restriction sites of pRMC2 vector.	This study
Strains	Description	Reference
XL1-Blue	<i>Escherichia coli</i> cloning strain XL1-Blue	Stratagene
RN4220 + pRMC2	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> RN4220 strain transformed by pRMC2. 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ Cam <sup>R</sup>	[2]; this study
RN4220+MsrA	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> RN4220 strain transformed by pRMC2+MsrA. 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ Cam <sup>R</sup>	This study
1,4,7,8,11,14,15,16,17,18,19, 20,21,23,24,25,26,27,28,30, 37, 38,39,40,43,54,58,62,64,70	RN4220+MsrA mutant strains with increased resistance to telithromycin. 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ Cam <sup>R</sup>	This study
24 <sup>C</sup>	Nutant strain 24 cured from plasmid	This study
24 <sup>C</sup> +pRMC2	Mutant strain 24 <sup>C</sup> bearing pRMC2	This study
24 <sup>R</sup>	Mutant strain 24 <sup>C</sup> transformed with pRMC2+MsrA	This study
8325-4+pRMC2	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> 8325-4 strain transduced with pRMC2	[3]; This study
8325-4+MsrA	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> 8325-4 strain transduced with pRMC2+MsrA	[3]; This study
$\Delta clpX$ +pRMC2	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> 8325-4 strain $\Delta clpX$ transduced with pRMC2	[3]; This study
$\Delta clpX$ +MsrA	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> 8325-4 strain $\Delta clpX$ transduced with pRMC2+MsrA	[3]; This study
$\Delta clpC$ +pRMC2	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> 8325-4 strain $\Delta clpC$ transduced with pRMC2	[4]; This study
$\Delta clpC$ +MsrA	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> 8325-4 strain $\Delta clpC$ transduced with pRMC2+MsrA	[4]; This study
$\Delta clpP$ +pRMC2	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> 8325-4 strain $\Delta clpP$ transduced with pRMC2	[3]; This study
$\Delta clpP$ +MsrA	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> 8325-4 strain $\Delta clpP$ transduced with pRMC2+MsrA	[3]; This study
Primers	Sequence	Description
MrsA_forward	TAAGCTCTATGATGGTACCTAACGGAGGCCAA TATGGAACAATATACAATTAAATTAAACCAAT CAATCATAAATTG	<i>msr(A)</i> amplification, addition of Shine-Dalgarno sequence and KpnI restriction site
MrsA_reverse	ACGGCCAGTGAATTGAGCTCTTAATGATGATG ATGATGATGTGAACCACCACCTGGAGTTATATC ATGAATAGATTGTCCTGTTAATTCCC	<i>msr(A)</i> amplification, with addition of sequence coding for Gly-(His) <sub>6</sub> tag and SacI restriction site
Msra_MUT_F	TTATTTGGATCCCCTCGAGTT	<i>msr(A)</i> sequencing
Msra_MUT_R	TGTGCTGCAAGGCAGTTA	<i>msr(A)</i> sequencing
ClpX_Forward	TTTTGGTACCTGTTGCATTGTAACATCCAATCTA GTATAGTC	<i>clpX</i> amplification
ClpX_Reverse	TTTTGGATCCTAATGATTAATTCTATATTATTAG GATTAACCTTCATTATATCCTC	<i>clpX</i> amplification
ClpX_Seq_1	GGCACACGTCCGATAAATTC	<i>clpX</i> sequencing
ClpX_Seq_2	TGACGTTTCAGGTGAAGGTG	<i>clpX</i> sequencing

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